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1. EMBOFF MET WITH MAHER ABAZA, USEC, MINELECTRICITY, ON AUG 30 TO DISCUSS SCHEDULE PROVIDED REFTEL. ABAZA EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH SCHEDULE AND SAID HE WOULD SHOW IT TO DEPPRIMIN SULTAN. (HE CALLED SUBSEQUENTLY TO SAY THAT SULTAN HAD SEEN AND APPROVED SCHEDULE.) ABAZA ASKED ABOUT PURPOSE OF WORKING LEVEL MEETING FOLLOWING MEETING WITH USEC BENSON. SPECIFICALLY HE ASKED IF MIN IS TO ATTEND THAT SESSION, OR ONLY THOSE ACCOMPANYING HIM. ABAZA ALSO NOTICED THAT NO MEETING HAS BEEN SCHEDULED WITH ASSTSEC ATHERTON AND ASKED IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR THE DEPPRIMIN TO MEET WITH HIM. EMBOFF OBSERVED THAT MR ATHERTON WOULD POSSIBLY BE IN NEW YORK AT TIME OF DEPPRIMIN'S VISIT. NEVERTHELESS, ABAZA REQUESTED BE INFORMED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF MEETING WITH HIM.

2. ABAZA THEN SHOWED EMBOFF BRIEFING PAPERS AND TALKING POINTS WHICH HAVE BEEN PREPARED FOR DEPPRIMIN SULTAN'S MEETINGS WITH USEC BENSON, DEP AID ADM NOOTER AND ENERGY SEC SCHLESINGER. PAPERS CONTAIN CONSISTENT EMPHASIS ON NUCLEAR POWER AGREEMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BUT OTHERWISE HAVE NO SURPRISES. PAPER FOR NOOTER REQUESTS AID FINANCING FOR VARIOUS ADDITIONAL ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION PROJECTS, INCLUDING 600 MW THERMAL PLANT AT SUEZ.

3. DEPPRIMIN SULTAN WILL BE ACCOMPANIED ON VISIT BY MAHER ABAZA, USEC MINELECTRICITY; DR AHMED EFFAT, DIR EGYPTIAN ATOMIC ENERGY AUTHORITY; DR ADLI YAKIN, COORDINATOR OF QATTARA DE-

PRESSION PROJECT AND KAMAL NABIH, VCHAIRMAN OF THE EGYPTIAN ELECTRIC CORP.

4. GROUP PLANS DEPART CAIRO SEP 2 WITH ARRIVAL IN NY SEP 3
ON SWISSAIR FLT 110. SULTAN WILL REMAIN IN NY UNTIL 5 SEP.
SULTAN AND PARTY DEPART NEW YORK FOR OTTAWA VIA BALTIMORE
ON SEP 5. (THEY LEAVE LA GUARDIA FOR BALTIMORE ON AL-311,
THEN CHANGE IN BALTIMORE TO EA-172 FOR TRIP TO OTTAWA).
ACCORDING TABAZA, THERE ARE NO DIRECT NEW YORK-OTTAWA FLIGHTS.
PARTY WILL ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON VIA PRIVATE WESTINGHOUSE
JET EARLY EVENING SEP 10. ABAZA REQUESTED THAT USG OFFICIAL,
IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, BE PRESENT TO GREET SULTAN. ABAZA SAID THAT
AMB FHORBAL WOULD BE KEPT APPRISED OF EXACT PLACE AND TIME OF
ARRIVAL.

5. SULTAN WILL SPEND SEP 11 WITH GE AND SEPT 14 WITH WEST-INGHOUSE. SULTAN AND PARTY WILL LAVE US ON AF-054 SEPT 15 AT 1300 FROM DULLES.

6. ABAZA REUESTED THAT WE PROVIDE CLARIFICATION ON WORKING LEVEL MEETING AND MEETING WITH ASSTSEC ATHERTON BEFORE DEPARTURE ON SEP 2. EMBOFF NOTED THIS MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE BUT IN ANY CASE AMB GHORBAL PRESUMABLY WOULD BE FULLY INFORMED ABOUT SCHEDULE AND HE (ABAZA) COULD CALL FROM NEW YORK OR OTTAWA. ABAZA AGREED THIS WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE.

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7. REQUEST REPLY TO POINTS RAISED ABOVE IF POSSIBLE BY COB 1 SEP. ALSO RECOMMEND SULTAN AND PARTY BE GIVEN VIP FACILITIES ON ARRIVAL IN NY SEP 3 (FLT SR 110).

8. RE PARA 3 REFTEL, SULTAN, AS DEPPRIMIN FOR PRODUCTION, HAS SUPERVISING RESPONSIBILITY OVER MIN OF PETROLEUM, BUT JUDGING FROM PAPERS THUS FAR REPRATED FOR HIM, DOES NOT PLAN DISCUSS THIS SECTOR DURING HIS US VISIT. THIS COULD, OF COURSE, CHANGE, BUT AT PRESENT SEE NO NEED SCHEDULE PETROLEUM MEETINGS FOR HIM. IF THERE IS CHANGE IN THIS, WE WILL ADVISE. EILTS

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